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KAZUHIRO SUGAWARA	)	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document identified on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of that document is enclosed.

That document was cited in an Office Action dated August 30, 2005, from the Japanese Patent Office in connection with a counterpart Japanese patent application. A copy of that Office Action is enclosed, as well as an English translation thereof.

For the concise explanation of relevance of the cited non-English document, the Examiner is directed to the English translation attached thereto.

To the best of Applicant's knowledge, a first action following the Request for Continued Examination filed on August 22, 2005, has not yet been mailed. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due. Please charge any fee which may nonetheless be due, to our Deposit Account 06-1205.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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JPA	10-283279	10/98	JAPAN			YES

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